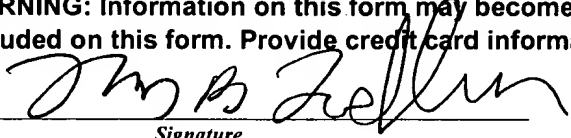
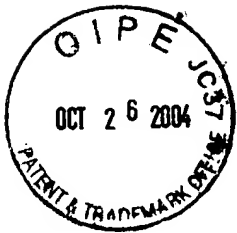


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Invention: <b>SYSTEM, METHOD AND ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE FOR ALERTING A MANAGER OF A CRITICAL OUTSTANDING TASK</b>						
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Amendment

In response to the Office Action dated July 30, 2004, it is respectfully requested that this amendment be entered in the above-referenced application.